



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

RICK PERRY
GOVERNOR

April 6, 2009

The Honorable Michael B. Donley
Secretary of the Air Force
U.S. Air Force
1670 Air Force Pentagon
Washington, D. C. 20330-1670

Dear Secretary Donley:

I understand that the U.S. Air Force is considering San Antonio, Texas for the location of its new Cyber Command headquarters. Please allow me to express my support for the choice of San Antonio as the location for this command.

It is not surprising that the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) is considering San Antonio for Cyber Command headquarters. DoD clearly recognizes the benefits of locating its missions, personnel and facilities in San Antonio, as the U.S. Air Force and DoD have a long history of operating major commands and operations there. DoD employers account for more than 195,000 workers in San Antonio and, including multipliers, contribute more than \$13 billion annually to the San Antonio economy. In return, they enjoy a location that provides high levels of security, ease of transportation, a well-trained and experienced workforce and a community that welcomes DoD and the Air Force with open arms.

I believe that San Antonio is the most appropriate location for DoD, the Air Force and the Cyber Command. As you move forward in the decision-making process, please be assured that my office will support your efforts and provide any assistance we can to help you make this important decision.

If we can be of any help, please contact Keith Graf, Director of my Office of Aerospace and Aviation, at (512) 475-0487 or by e-mail at kgraf@governor.state.tx.us.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature of Rick Perry in black ink.
Rick Perry
Governor

RP:kgp

cc: General Norton A. Schwartz, Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force